

County of Santa Rosa

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Tourism is the No. 1 industry in the state of Florida, adding \$3.7 billion in state revenues annually; and

WHEREAS, Florida is the second highest state in the nation in tourism expenditures; and

WHEREAS, more than 83 million domestic and international visitors annually generate \$62 billion in tourism spending; and

WHEREAS, tourism-related tax revenues are primary sources of state and local government funding to help build roads, support schools, pay for health care and other vital programs; and

WHEREAS, the tourism industry provides more than 948,700 jobs for Florida residents, which leads to a low unemployment rate and improved quality of life for all Floridians; and

WHEREAS, awareness of the tourism industry's integral role in the economic success of Florida will encourage a consistent increase in visitors to the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners proclaim that May 10-18, 2008, be recognized as Florida Tourism Week and be celebrated with appropriate events, commemorations and festivals.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Rosa County, Florida, this 8th day of May, 2008.



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

BY: _____

John Broxson
John Broxson, Chairman